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DM 1644 #

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Waltherus J.W. VAN VENROOIJ et al.

Application No.: 09/308,150

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For: PEPTIDES IMMUNOREACTIVE WITH
AUTOANTIBODIES FROM PATIENTS WITH
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS (As Amended
herein)

Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: F.VanderVegt, Ph.D.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 6 February 2004, time for response to which was set to expire 6 May 2004. A petition for an extension of time of two (2) months until 6 July 2004 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. The Office action indicates that no claims are allowed; however, none of claims 4, 6, 21, 23, 24, 29 or 32 appear to be the subject of any rejection. Reconsideration is requested in light of the following amendment and discussion.

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AMENDMENT

Please amend the title of the application to read:

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RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS